

Even though it is impossible for Hinayana practitioners to become foe-destroyers without passing through the five Hinayana paths, it is not necessary for such practitioners to pass through all four results, i.e. result of stream-enterer, once-returner, etc.

The reason for this is that there are different ways in which to remove innate afflictions. Therefore, the Buddha described the following Hinayana Aryas:

- Simultaneous-Eliminators (who do not attain the result of once-returner and non-returner)
- Leapers (who do not attain the result of stream-enterer; also, there are two types of Leapers: one type attains the result of once-returner and the other does not)
- Gradual-Attainers (who attain all four results)
- Gradual-Eliminators (some of whom attain all four results, some do not attain the result of stream-enterer, and some attain neither the result of stream-enterer nor the result of once-returner)

Simultaneous-Eliminators

Simultaneous-Eliminators (*spang bya cig char ba*) are Hinayana Aryas who attain only the results of stream-enterer and foe-destroyer.

While they are on the path of seeing, they irrevocably eliminate the three fetters (intellectually acquired afflictive obstructions), without having temporarily eliminated any of the mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm prior to reaching the Hinayana path of seeing.

The moment they attain the cessation of the three fetters, they become stream-enterers.

Then on the path of meditation, their first (small-small) uninterrupted path simultaneously eliminates the first (big-big) type of both mundane *and* supramundane innate afflictions that pertain to the nine levels, their second (medium-small) uninterrupted path simultaneously eliminates the second (medium-big) type of both mundane *and* supramundane innate afflictions that pertain to the nine levels, their third (big-small) uninterrupted path simultaneously eliminates the third (small-big) type of both mundane *and* supramundane innate afflictions that pertain to the nine levels, and so forth.

Therefore, since their sixth uninterrupted path of the path of meditation simultaneously and irrevocably eliminates the sixth type of both mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm, while their ninth uninterrupted path of the path of meditation simultaneously and irrevocably eliminates the ninth type of both mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm, Simultaneous-Eliminators do not attain the results of once-returner and non-returner.

They do not attain the results of once-returner and non-returner, for they do not sequentially eliminate the *sixth* type of mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm nor the *ninth* type of mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm.

This means that they do not temporarily eliminate the *sixth* type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm with a mundane uninterrupted path (of the preparatory stage of the first concentration), nor do they irrevocably eliminate the *sixth* type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm with any of the first five supramundane uninterrupted paths of the path of meditation. Likewise, they do not temporarily eliminate the *ninth* type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm with a mundane uninterrupted path (of the preparatory stage of the first concentration), nor do they irrevocably eliminate the *ninth* type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm with any of the first eight supramundane uninterrupted paths of the path of meditation.

Simultaneous-Eliminators attain the result of foe-destroyer when they newly reach the cessation of the nine types of both mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm and thus of the remaining eight levels of the Form and Formless Realms.

They are called 'Simultaneous-Eliminators' because they simultaneously eliminate the first type of mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm, then they simultaneously eliminate the second type of mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm, and so forth.

Since Simultaneous-Eliminators attain self-liberation faster than the other types of Sangha, they are Hinayana Aryas of the sharpest mental faculty.

Simultaneous-Eliminators who attain the result of stream-enterer	Simultaneous-Eliminators who attain the result of once-returner	Simultaneous-Eliminators who attain the result of non-returner	Simultaneous-Eliminators who attain the result of foe-destroyer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Are Hinayana Aryas ▪ They attain the irrevocable elimination of intellectually acquired afflictions without having temporarily eliminated any of the nine types of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm prior to reaching the path of seeing. ▪ They simultaneously and irrevocably eliminate the sixth type of mundane <i>and</i> supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm and attain the cessation of those afflictions. ▪ They simultaneously and irrevocably eliminate the ninth type of mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Are Aryas ▪ They simultaneously attain the irrevocable cessation of the ninth type of both mundane and supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm and of each of the eight levels of the Form and Formless Realms

Leapers ('*bras bu thod rgal ba*, literally: those who bypass results) are of two types:

- The first type are Leapers who temporarily eliminate the sixth but not the ninth type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm prior to reaching the path of seeing
- The second type are Leapers who temporarily eliminate the ninth type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm prior to reaching the path of seeing

a) *The first type of Leapers*

The first type of Leapers refers to Hinayana Aryas who attain only the three latter results of once-returner, non-returner, and foe-destroyer because they temporarily eliminated the sixth (but not the ninth) type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm prior to reaching the path of seeing. While they are on the path of seeing, they irrevocably eliminate the three fetters (intellectually acquired afflictive obstructions). The moment they attain the irrevocable cessation of the three fetters, they become *once-returns*. They do not attain the result of stream-enterer because stream-enterers are characterized by being Hinayana Aryas who did not temporarily eliminate the sixth type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm prior to reaching the path of seeing.

In order to attain the result of non-returner, the first type of leapers may then cultivate mundane uninterrupted paths of the preparatory stage of the first concentration and use them to temporarily remove the ninth type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm.

Or they may irrevocably eliminate the ninth type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm with any of the first eight types of supramundane uninterrupted paths of the path of meditation.

Either way, the first moment those Leapers newly attain the temporary or irrevocable cessation of the ninth type of mundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm, without at that moment also attaining the irrevocable cessation of the ninth type of *supramundane* innate afflictions of the Desire Realm, they become non-returns.

Thereafter, in order to attain the result of foe-destroyer, they generate the ninth (big-big) uninterrupted path of the path of meditation, i.e. the *Vajra-like Stabilization*, which is the direct antidote to the ninth type of supramundane innate afflictions of the Desire Realm as well as to the ninth type of supramundane innate afflictions of each of the eight levels of the Form and Formless